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Healthy Hometown Advisory Council Meeting June 25 at 10 am at Forum

Join us for our next Advisory Council Meeting on Friday, June 25th at 10 am at the Health Department Forum. We will learn more about the recently awarded Obesity Prevention Grant and Mayor Abramson will present our 2009 Leadership Awards to those volunteers who really stepped up last year. Dr. Troutman will review what is already turning out to be a very exciting and successful year for our Healthy Hometown.

*Congratulations to Our Healthy Hometown Worksite Wellness Award Winners!*Mayor Abramson and Dr. Troutman presented our 5th Annual Worksite Wellness Awards at the Healthy Hometown Worksite Wellness Conference on June 1st. The awards were given in three categories and each applicant was selected by a panel of judges. The Start Up Award was presented to ValuMarket food stores for having an excellent program under two years old. The Veteran Award was presented to the University of Louisville Get Healthy Now program for excellence in a program more than 2 years old. The Fleur de Lis Award was presented to the Al J. Schneider Companies for overall excellence in its programming for both the Galt House and Crowne Plaza Hotels. The program also included a keynote address by new U of L Football Coach Charlie Strong. The morning was sponsored by Baptist Health@Work. Supporting sponsors included BB&T Insurance, SHPS and Neace Lukens.

Are You "Losing It!" Louisville?

There's still plenty of time for you and your colleagues to sign up to "Lose It, Louisville! More than 700 of your fellow residents have already registered and have lost more than 1,000 pounds, collectively! We still need you to sign up and let us know how many pounds you are losing every week. . .or every day. . .as we work toward our community goal of losing 100,000 pounds by Labor Day! Mayor Abramson and Dr. Troutman are logging in their weight loss every week – and you can, too. Just go to www.loseitlouisville.com and keep us posted. You'll receive encouraging e-mails with healthy tips, news about your fellow Lose It participants and a chance to win prizes such as free groceries and gift cards! Sign up today so we can all be Losers!!!!

Friends of the Waterfront Host First Annual River Walk on Mayor's Mile

The First Annual FOTW River Walk will be held June 11 from 11 am to 1 pm at Waterfront Park. The walk will follow the new Mayor's Mile, which is an optional 1 or 2 mile path through the park that opened last fall. Groups and individuals are encouraged to register by calling Kelley Lewis at 574-3768 or going to www.friendsofthewaterfront.com. A \$30 fee includes a t-shirt and healthy lunch as part of the event. Mayor's Miles continue to be developed throughout the community as a way to distance mark walking and to encourage walking as a group activity.

Farmers' Markets Roll Out Fresh, Healthy Food and Fun

Farmers' Markets are opening up throughout the city, providing an excellent resource for fresh fruits and vegetables. In addition, they create a sense of community and contribute to some wholesome and healthy fun with family and friends. For a full listing of available markets along with their hours of operation, visit our website. Here are a few we have checked out lately:

Mini-Farmers Market

Urban Government Center 810 Barrett Ave.

Wednesdays 3:30-5:30 pm greens, fruit, eggs beef, onions

Gray Street Market	400 East Gray Across from Health Dept.	Thursdays 10:30 am-2pm	cooking demos fruit, vegetables
Jefferstown Farmers'	Jefferstown Pavilion	Tuesdays	fruits, vegetables
Market	on Watterson Trail	3:00-7:00 pm	bedding plants,
	in the heart of the city	Saturdays	meats, cheeses,
		7:00 am –noon	desserts, breads

Upcoming Mayor's Healthy Hometown Movement Committee Meetings: All meetings are held at the Louisville Metro Health Dept., 400 East Gray Street unless otherwise noted:

Food In Neighborhoods	August 2	5:30 pm	Downtown YMCA Association Office
Schools	June 25	9 am	Before the larger MHHM meeting
Worksite Wellness	June 17	8 am	Baptist East Milestone Wellness Center
Step Up, Louisville!	Subcommittees are meeting in June. Contact Rolf Eisinger for more information: john.eisinger@louisvilleky.gov		

Healthy Hometown Partner News:

Slots Still Available for Food Literacy Project's June Family Programs: Register Today!

The Food Literacy Project is offering a series of Family Programs this year in June and September. Family Program participants will enjoy a day on the farm full of family-friendly activities including baking homemade bread with butter, a tasting tour of the farm, veggie-based arts and crafts, cooking demonstrations, planting seeds, service learning and more. All of our Family Programs take place on Field Day Farm at Oxmoor between 11am and 3pm. The dates are:

- * June 19th, Family Farm Day: Bountiful Bread
- * June 30th, Family Farm Day: Bountiful Bread
- * September 11th, Family Farm Day: Field-to-Fork
- * September 29th, Home School Family Day: Field-to-Fork

<u>Families must pre-register to participate</u>, and can download a registration form from the FLP website at <u>www.foodliteracyproject.org</u>. The cost is \$10 per person, children 2 and under are free! We have a limited number of scholarships available for families who qualify based on financial need. For more information contact the Program Director, Angelique Perez at 491-0072 or <u>angelique@foodliteracyproject.org</u>.

Stone Soup Community Kitchen Events have Begun!

Join fellow foodies for this month's Stone Soup event, Saturday June 19 at the Presbyterian Community Center, 701 S. Hancock St. Participants prepare a meal together that everybody shares, with food from local farmers markets. Please plan to arrive promptly at the 4:00pm and stay until 7:00pm. Enjoy a full cooking experience, from prep to clean up! This event is FREE and FUN for the WHOLE family and will create a sense of community through cooking! For more information visit www.stonesoupky.org or call Community Farm Alliance at 775-4041.

Kentucky Sends Delegate to Outdoor Nation Youth Summit in NYC

River City Canoe & Kayak of Louisville will sponsor a Murray State University student to attend this summer's Outdoor Nation Youth Summit in New York to present a youth paddling mentor program between U of L students and middle-school students. Sarah Kelty plans to initiate the program in Louisville during the 2010-2011 school year. Metro Parks, Kentuckiana Girl Scouts Council and Councilman Tom Owen are also supporting the project. The Summit provides young people from throughout the country a chance to come together and hone their ideas for youth-oriented physical activity programming in their home cities and states.

WHAS 11 Seeks Performers for 2nd Annual Health & Fitness Expo

WHAS 11 is providing FREE performance space to local performers who want to reach the more than 15,000 people expected to attend. The Expo offers demonstrations in dancing, aerobics, jazzercise, boxing, cycling, rock climbing and much more. Space is available at either the Demonstration Stage or Dance Performance area. The Expo is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 9th and 10th at the Kentucky International Convention Center from 11 am until 4 pm. Please call 910-328-5592 or e-mail pattloler@gmail.com to schedule a time. Or call Terese at 860-830-6129 for more information.

New 4th Street Mayor's Mile Launched

With the help of the American Heart Association and Kindred Healthcare, the Healthy Hometown has added a new Mayor's Mile to downtown Louisville. The Mile, which runs along 4th Street from Broadway north to Jefferson Street and back to Broadway, was introduced as part of the Heart Association's START! Walking program and is co-sponsored by Kindred as part of its worksite wellness activities.

Mayor's Miles are a distance marking program designed to encourage walking throughout the city. Mayor's Miles are located at Waterfront Park, which provides both a 1-mile and 2-mile walking option, Spalding University Campus, the Frankfort Avenue Reservoir, the University of Louisville Hospital Campus and the 4th Street Pedway from the Galt House to 4th Street Live! Mayor's Miles are also in selected Metro Parks. Mayor's Miles are sponsored by the Louisville Water Company. For more information about how you can get a Mayor's Mile for your business, neighborhood or school, contact marigny.bostock@louisvilleky.gov.

The *Mayor's Healthy Hometown Movement News* is designed to keep you informed of important Healthy Hometown Happenings as well as create a communications connection for all *Healthy Hometown* partners and interested participants. We encourage you to share any news, events and updates generated through your organizations and efforts ---all part of the Mayor's goal to make this one of the healthiest communities in America.

To submit information for publication consideration, please **DO NOT HIT REPLY.** Send edited items, including specific dates and times for events to smlcomm@att.net. Please include any pertinent web links and an e-mail source for more information.

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